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REQUEST  
for  
CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)  
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Application No.	09/139,386
Customer No./Conf. No.	24961/5243
Filing Date	August 25, 1998
First Named Inventor	Monforte, J. A.
Group Art Unit	1656
Examiner	Tung, J.
Attorney Docket No.	24736-2060

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application

1. ☒ Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

a. ☒ Previously submitted

- i. ☒ Enter the amendment/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on May 1, 2003.
- ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_.
- iii. ☒ Other Supplemental Response

b. ☒ Enclosed

- i. ☐ Amendment/Reply
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)-two Terminal Disclaimers
- iii. ☒ Information Disclosure Statement, PTO-1449, copies of citations (sent under separate cover)
- iv. ☐ Other - Return Receipt Postcard

2. ☐ Miscellaneous

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months.
- b. ☐ Other

3. ☒ Fees

- a. ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge any fees, including the following fees, or credit any overpayment(s), to Deposit Account No. 50-1213.

- i. ☒ RCE Fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e)
- ii. ☐ Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17)
- iii. ☐ Other

- b. ☒ Check in the amount of \$375 enclosed
- c. ☐ Payment by credit card (form PTO-2038 enclosed)

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U.S.S.N. 09/139,386  
MONFORTE *et al.*  
SUPPLEMENTAL RESPONSE



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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Monforte *et al.*  
Serial No.: 09/139,386  
Customer No. 24961/Conf. No.: 5243

Filed: August 25, 1998  
For: PRIMERS USEFUL FOR SIZING  
NUCLEIC ACIDS

Art Unit: 1637

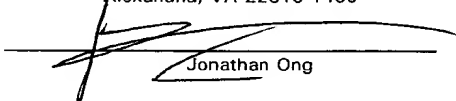
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Dear Sir:

Responsive to the Advisory Actions, mailed April 1, 2003 and June 3, 2003, and the Final Office Action, mailed December 4, 2002, and further to the Amendment After Final, filed May 1, 2003, consideration of the following remarks are respectfully requested.

REMARKS

Any fees that are due with this paper or application can be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-1213. If a Petition for extension of time is due, this paper can be considered such Petition. This response accompanies an RCE requesting entry of the Amendment After Final.

Claims 1-21 are presently pending in this application. The Advisory Action indicates that the amendments in the Amendment After Final obviate all rejections of record, but that they are not entered because they raise new issues requiring further consideration or search.